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Washington, D.C. 20505

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The Honorable Claiborne Pell
Chairman
Committee on Foreign Relations
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The Director has asked me to respond to your letter of 15 August 1988 requesting the return of the transcripts of executive sessions before your Committee that were held on 25 and 28 February 1966. I have forwarded the Top Secret transcripts for secure storage by the Select Committee on Intelligence.

Please note that pages 56 through 65 of the transcript for 25 February 1966 have been removed at the direction of Director of Central Intelligence Raborn. The questions from Chairman Fullbright that resulted in this exchange were subsequently withdrawn by the Chairman.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

John L. Helgerson
Director of Congressional Affairs

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Executive Secretary

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From: John L. Helgerson

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answer for your signature.

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answer for my signature.

 No answer expected or required

 John, I prefer to

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COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-6225

August 15, 1988

The Honorable William H. Webster
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, DC 20505

Dear Judge Webster:

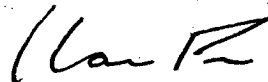
~~I am writing to request the return of the transcripts of executive sessions of the Committee on Foreign Relations held on February 25 and 28, 1966. At these sessions, former Central Intelligence Agency Director Rayborn provided a briefing to the Committee.~~

Since 1966, the Central Intelligence Agency has held the only copies of the transcripts for safekeeping. The Foreign Relations Committee now wishes to incorporate the transcripts into our collection of classified hearings held in 1966 and to evaluate their potential for use in our historical series. Should the transcripts contain any material which is classified at a level above Top Secret, please excise it so that the transcripts may be returned to the Committee with a classification no higher than Top Secret.

I appreciate your cooperation in expediting my request.

With every good wish.

Ever sincerely,

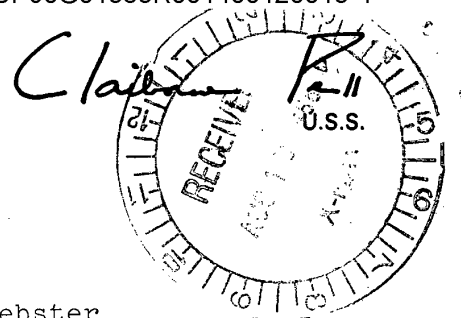


Claiborne Pell
Chairman

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